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## TO OFFER A CHANGE.

Amendment to the Currency Bill  
to be Presented.

Ellis of Kentucky Bitterly At-  
tacks the Measure.

## TO VOTE AGAINST IT.

At Least Eighteen Democrats  
Oppose Carlisle's Plan.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—After the routine business had been disposed of yesterday, the house upon motion of Mr. Springer went into committee of the whole on the tariff bill.

Mr. Johnson, Republican, of Indiana, one of the members of the minority of the banking and currency committee, opened the debate with a vigorous speech in opposition to the Carlisle bill. Admitting the defects in our currency system, he said their correction could not be obtained by the passage of a bill along the lines suggested by the banking and currency committee. It was much easier to attack the present system than to offer a safe substitute for it. The present system had given the country a greenback currency which enabled the government to carry on the war and it produced a market for our bonds in the hour of danger and peril. The currency it produced had never been questioned.

While remedial legislation might be advisable, this was no time for experimental legislation. There was no need of indecent speed. Congress in this matter could well afford to make haste slowly.

The exigencies confronting the treasury had, Mr. Johnson said, constrained the majority members of the committee to affix their signatures to a report, which in many respects they did not approve. He took up the bill section by section and attacked its various provisions.

Mr. Ellis, Democrat, Kentucky, who followed Mr. Warner, was the first Democrat to make a statement in the currency committee to attack the Carlisle bill. At the outset he proclaimed that he was convinced that its passage would remedy none of the defects of the present financial system.

In the committee two conflicting theories had struggled for supremacy. One urged by the officials of the government who desired protection from the assaults of the gold speculators, and the other urged by the bankers, who sought to extend their privileges and increase their power and profits. The people had nothing to hope from such schemes. He charged that behind the bill were the same influences that forced the repeal of the Sherman act and which on that occasion had predicted that prosperity would follow. The repeal of the Sherman law having now admittedly failed, this currency scheme had been insidiously pressed forward by the same high authority. For thirty years the Democratic party had condemned the national bank system, yet it was now proposing not only to perpetuate the system, but to perpetuate it in a form more objectionable than that in which it at present existed. Mr. Ellis, in conclusion, charged the Democratic party to congress with being false to its Chicago platform pledge in not passing a tariff bill for revenue only, in not repealing outright the ten percent tax on state banks and in not restoring silver to its position as a money metal on the same terms with gold. "The Democratic premises," said he, "will not be redeemed until the people elect a Democratic president; when that day comes, as I believe it will, the chief executive will not be chosen from that small and select class who believe that all the financial integrity and capacity in this country is quarantined on Manhattan island."

Mr. Terry, Democrat of New York, gave notice of an amendment he should offer to make circulating notes redeemable by the bank issuing them in equal parts in gold and silver. A resolution was passed to allow the governor of New Hampshire and staff on the floor of the house during the exercises in connection with the dedications of the statues of Webster and Stark.

At 5:20 p. m. the committee rose and the house adjourned.

## OPPOSE CARLISLE'S BILL.

At Least Eighteen Democrats in the House Will Vote Against It.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—An unexpectedly strong opposition to the Carlisle currency bill now before the house has developed by the list of those who have asked for time to speak on the measure. Two lists have been made, one for members of the banking committee who wish to be heard and the other for members not on the committee. The committee list shows the members divided on party lines, except Representative Ellis, Democrat of Kentucky, who has asked for time to speak against the bill. The other list shows fourteen members who will speak for the bill and thirty against it. Of the thirty against it, eighteen are Democrats. The list of speakers is as follows:

For the bill—McCreary, Pendleton of West Virginia; Bryan, Tallant, Berry, Lane, Brickner, Sales, Carruth, Tracey, Livingston, Gresham, Coombs, Stockdale.

Against the bill—Dingley, Republican; Sibley, Democrat; Hendrix, Democrat; Bowers, Republican; Bland, Democrat; Cochrane, Democrat; Hatch, Democrat; Beltzhoover, Democrat; Coffeen, Democrat; McLaughlin, Democrat; Bryan, Democrat; Daniels, Republican; Wendock, Democrat; Powers, Republican; C. W. Stone, Repub-

lican; C. K. Bell, Democrat; Lacey, Republican; Maguire, Democrat; Richardson of Michigan, Democrat; Newland, Silverite, Dollar, Republican; Simpson, Populist; Pence, Populist; Boen, Populist; Cooper of Texas, Democrat; Holman, Democrat; Rollins, Democrat; Neill, Democrat; J. C. Bell, Populist; Little, Democrat. All of those for the bill are Democrats. Those against it are: Democrats, 18; Republicans, 7; Populists, 4; and Newland, Silver, 1.

## NEW K. P. ORDER.

Secretary Meets in Buffalo and Form a New Organization.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 20.—About twenty-five delegates, representing as many lodges of Knights of Pythias, met at the Genesee hotel last night and formed a new order to be known as "The Improved Order of Knights of Pythias." This convention is the outgrowth of the trouble that ensued after the grand lodge at Washington in August decreed that the work of subordinate lodges must all be done in English and abolishing all rituals in foreign languages. Those lodges which had used a ritual in the German language for many years have followed. The convention elected the following officers:

Past supreme commander, George H. Klee of New York; supreme vice commander, Conrad Loxow of New York; supreme prelate, William Brak-hagen, District of Columbia; supreme recording and corresponding secretary, Oscar Schloeman of Michigan; supreme treasurer, F. W. Rossberg, New York; supreme sergeant-at-arms, Oscar Brede of Michigan.

## PORT ARTHUR MASSACRE.

Streets of the City Choked and Blockaded With Mutilated Corpses.

New York, Dec. 20.—The World prints the following special advice from its correspondent, James Creelman, who was with the Japanese army, dated Port Arthur, November 24, via Vancouver, December 19: The struggle for the emancipation of Corea has been suddenly turned into a headlong savage war of conquest. It is no longer a conflict between civilization and barbarism. Japan and the allied powers have trampled civilization under the feet of her conquering army.

The taking of Port Arthur and the possession of one of the most powerful strongholds in the world was too great a strain upon the Japanese character, which collapsed in a few hours, back into the brutish state from which it was awakened a generation ago. Almost the entire population found in Port Arthur has been massacred and the work of butchering the unarmed and unresisting inhabitants has been continued. The streets are choked with mutilated corpses.

## ST. LOUIS ELECTION FRAUD.

Police Officers Arrested on Warrants From the Grand Jury.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 20.—John Powers, John Maroney and James Higgins, who made affidavit before the grand jury that Sheriff-elect Troil had violated the corrupt practice act by giving them money to influence their votes, were arrested on bench warrants at the instance of the grand jury. They were released on bail. Mr. Troil charges them with perjury.

Ten more bench warrants were issued by the grand jury in connection with election frauds, most of which are said to be for the arrest of members of the police department. Four officers, John Clifford, William Cronin, Thomas Mahan and Thomas Murphy, were arrested, but were released on bail. The first three named are charged with fraudulent voting, while the charge against Murphy is assaulting a Republican challenger.

## Must Ring the Bell.

EXCLUSION SPIRITS, Mo., Dec. 20.—Perhaps no city in the state has a night watchman, one of whose duties is as peculiar as that of the one just appointed here. Promptly at 11 o'clock he must ring the bell of the Baptist church, and he must continue to ring the same bell thereafter after at each hour up to 5 in the morning. In this way it is expected that the citizens will know right along that they and their property are safe, and they will also know that the watchman is out and about.

## G. A. R. Encampment Date.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 20.—The executive council of the G. A. R. decided that the twenty-ninth encampment of the G. A. R. would be held here during the week beginning September 8. The exact date has not been fixed, but the encampment will probably begin about the 11th. The dedication of the Chattanooga battlefield occurs September 19, any many of those who come to the encampment will wish to go there also. For this reason it was decided to fix the date of the encampment so that the two trips may be taken together.

## Assaulted in Court.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 20.—In the court of criminal correction yesterday William Wright, a negro, who had just been dismissed by Judge Murphy on a charge of assault to kill a policeman, was badly beaten by policemen and detectives as he left the court room. It is probable that had it not been for Attorney John I. Martin, who interfered, the negro would have been killed. Two detectives were suspended by Chief Harrigan for striking Wright, but were afterward reinstated.

## Police Stop a Boxing Exhibition.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 20.—At Jake Kilian's boxing exhibition last night the Ulman, middleweight champion of Maryland, defeated Chris Johnson in a four round bout. In two of the subsequent bouts the police interfered and stopped the fighting.

Fugitives on the Decline, Says Corbett. SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 20.—Champion J. J. Corbett says pugilism has reached its highest point, and from now on will gradually decline, and the fight between himself and Fitzsimmons will be the last great battle in the ring.

## BYRNES TARNISHED.

Damaging Charges Against the  
N. Y. Police Superintendent.

A Witness Says He Bulldozed  
Him Into Telling Secrets.

## LEVIED BLACKMAIL.

Took Money From the Women  
of the Town.

New York, Dec. 20.—Superintendent Byrnes figured conspicuously in the testimony of two witnesses before the Lexow committee yesterday. John Marrett, formerly an agent of the Society for the Prevention of Crime, testified that Superintendent Byrnes had bulldozed him with threats and force into divulging the secrets of his society and had afterward relented when he learned that the witness was a brother Mason. Hattie Ross, a colored woman who some years ago conducted two disorderly houses in this city, swore that she paid "protection" money to wardmen under Captain Byrnes, now superintendent of police. Superintendent Byrnes denied the allegations against him. Other incidents of interest occurred before the committee, but none of them caused such excitement as the mention of Superintendent Byrnes.

Marrett said before the committee that he had gone to the home of Superintendent Byrnes with a letter for Mrs. Byrnes, which had been given him by another Parkhurst agent; that the superintendent took the letter, read it, took him by the collar, threw him into the parlor, forcibly detaining him there; that Byrnes threatened to have him imprisoned for ten years, and by force and threats forced him to tell the secrets of his society.

Hattie Ross (colored) swore that in 1879 she opened disorderly houses in Wooster and West Third streets. In answer to Mr. Goff's questions, she said that she paid the wardmen \$50 a month for each house. This was paid to Wardman Slewin. "What was Captain of the precinct at that time?" asked Mr. Goff. "Captain Byrnes, now superintendent," she also testified that she paid the same amount of money to Captain Brogan.

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## THROWN INTO BOILING OIL.

Horrible Torture of Armenian Prisoners by Turks.

BERLIN, Dec. 20.—The Cologne Gazette publishes a letter regarding the atrocities committed on the Armenians which says that the Turkish garrison at Erzeroum, Iria, Vat, Tigranocerta, Babert and Moosh, altogether numbering about 60,000 were sent against the Armenians. The commanders of these troops announced to the inhabitants of the villages: "We are ordered to put you to the sword for openly defying the government." The attack began on August 18. The Turks were repulsed in the first instance. The massacres began September 5. Those Armenians who submitted unconditionally were bound to stake out their limbs were cut off with saws. In other cases the victims were disemboweled and their eyes gouged out. Children were thrown into burning oil and women were tortured and burned to death. The troops plundered and burned the churches. Among those who fell victims to the savagery of the soldiers were forty priests who were brutally massacred.

The British consul at Erzeroum was prevented from going to the scenes of the atrocities on the ground that it was not safe for an Armenian, he being an Armenian, to approach the places where the troubles had occurred. This did not deter him from making an attempt to learn the truth, but as he was trying to approach one of the devastated villages he was arrested. Among those who witnessed the atrocities was a Spaniard named Ximenes. The Turkish authorities approached him and offered him large bribes to induce him to deny in the English papers the truth of the reports of the outrages. They also sought to bribe him to go to England for the purpose of delivering lectures on Armenia, in which he was to dwell upon the contented condition of the Armenians. Senor Ximenes rejected the offers made to him.

Robbed of His Hidden Gold. STOKES CITY, Iowa, Dec. 20.—Two masked men went to the house of John Collins, near Sloan, last night, and made him give to them \$4,400 in gold he had concealed in the house, because his wife, who was suing for a divorce and alimony, had attached all his property she could find.

Colorado Strikers Fined. DENVER, Col., Dec. 20.—In the United States district court to-day Judge Hallet imposed a fine of \$100 and one-twentieth of the costs on each of the four men convicted of retarding the United States mail at Trinidad during the strike last July.

Rev. Conrad Haney in Texas. DENISON, Texas, Dec. 19.—Rev. Conrad Haney, the minister who left Chicago so unceremoniously with another man's wife, was seen on the streets of Denison yesterday. This is the preacher's old stamping ground.

Another Cashier Shot. ROME, N. Y., Dec. 19.—John E. Bieby, the trusted cashier of the Central National bank, has confessed that he is a defaulter for \$27,000.

BRIEFS BY WIRE.

F. W. Job has received notice of appointment as Hawaiian consul general at Chicago. Mr. Job is a personal friend of Minister Thurston of Hawaii and is a prominent member of the Chicago bar.

Theodore Huston, United States consul at Juarez, Mexico, died at the American consulate in Juarez of consumption. He was about 42 years old. Mr. Huston formerly lived at Macomb, Ill., and was appointed consul at Juarez by President Cleveland about thirteen months ago.

The Rev. Dr. Edward McGlynn has made a complete recantation. He is no longer an apostle of the doctrines for preaching which he brought on himself the ban of excommunication from the Catholic church.

At Elgin, Ohio, the dwelling house of C. J. Cook was almost totally destroyed by fire. In the efforts to extinguish the flames both Mr. and Mrs. Cook were probably fatally burned. The origin of the fire is unknown.

The commerce committee of the house has favorably reported bills for building railway bridges across the Missouri river near Jefferson City, the Little river in Arkansas and the Sulphur river in Texas or Arkansas.

The whole Newcastle, Wash., coal mine appears to be on fire and it is feared the whole mine will become a wreck, involving a loss of \$500,000 to the Oregon Improvement company. Coal creek is pouring into it, but it will take several weeks to thoroughly flood it.

Geraldo Saiz, the revolutionist extruded from San Antonio, has been brought to Nueva Laredo, and it is understood that he will be taken out and shot without the formality of a trial. It is claimed that his guilt was firmly established in the extradition proceedings, and all that now remains to be done is to carry the law in such cases in to effect.

Secretary Morton will leave Washington about January 6 for a visit in Nebraska. He is the president of the state horticultural society, and at its meeting January 15 will address the society on "Pioneer Populists."

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